

Last Week's Attendance %		
RNK	92.1	3 rd
RNW	95.0	2 nd
1RT	88.3	
1SM	92.1	3 rd
2SG	96.3	1 st
2SP	89.0	
Target	100%	



MILLBROOK PARK
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

RESPECT

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COURAGE

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Monday 30th January 2017

Dear Families,

With only two weeks left until we break for half term which will signify the half way point of the academic year, it is an important time for parents to have an opportunity to see their child's progress so please try to attend the SOLD event. Parents of reception children are also invited to a parent workshop on Tuesday morning which will explain the reading and writing programme the school uses.

The school had one of its regular visits from an external advisor last week who observed lessons, looked inside children's work books, at work samples as well as looking at the progress and attainment data for each class. She stated that progress across the whole school was very visible and was particularly struck by the progress that the children have already made this year in writing. Well done and thank you to the families and teachers for so ably supporting the children's learning.

Nicola Dudley, Head of School

SOLD (Share Our Learning Day) Wednesday 1st February

Come along if you can, to let your child show the work they are proud of. Parents of children in Year 1 and 2 will also be given a copy of children's maths, reading and writing progress statements which identifies areas the children are secure with and areas they still need to work on.

New Rules for Long Hair

The school requests that all children with long hair have it tied back neatly for school with plain navy bobbles. This will reduce the risk of children getting their hair tangled or caught in any equipment and will also help to reduce the transfer of head lice.

News from PiPs

PIPs (Parents in Partnership with the School) is the Parent organisation, run by parent volunteers for the benefit of the children, parents and the school. PiPs gives parents an opportunity to bring ideas which could be beneficial to the children and the school. The more parents that are involved, the better.

Over the course of the last 2 years of PiPs, parent volunteers have helped with the Easter Egg Hunts, Christmas parties, making nativity costumes as well as make up and dressing the children up for the show, cake sales, open air theatre, the Christmas Elf factory and of course the first ever Millbrook Park Summer Fete. Attached to the newsletter is a sheet giving you 10 reasons to join PiPs.

This year we are looking to do more fun events for both children and parents. Please see below a couple of dates for your diary: event on a first come basis. More details to follow.

Thursday 2nd March 2017 – Drinks n' Nibbles – 7pm-9pm.

This is a social opportunity for parents to meet up after school hours and to have a little fun, try out a selection of culturally diverse food and a variety of drinks. This will be a ticketed event on a first come basis. More details to follow.

Friday 31st March 2017 (last day of term) – Spring Disco for the Kids

More details to follow in the coming weeks and this will be on a first come basis as places are limited.

On-Line Safety

<https://vimeo.com/200570540>

Miss Tilley has produced a video for parents which shows how to set up an i-pad or i-phone so that children can only play on an APP chosen by parents by adding a 'lock'. Please have a look at the video (using the link below) and try out applying it to the device your child uses.

Behaviour Focus

This week the behaviour focus is going to be a repeat of last week's 'being tidy'- as we have not quite 'nailed' that one.

Award Winners Well done children.



Term Dates 2016 -2017

Spring Term 2017 (57 days)

First Half	Thursday 5 th January – Friday 10 th February	27 days
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February</i>	
Second Half	Monday 20 th February – Friday 31 st March	30 days
<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Monday 20th February</i>	<i>1 days</i>

Summer Term 2017 (63 days)

First Half	Tuesday 18 th April – Friday 26 th May	28 days
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June</i>	
Second Half	Monday 5 th June – Friday 21 st July	35 days
<i>Inset Days</i>	<i>Tuesday 18th April & Monday 5th June</i>	<i>2 days</i>

NB **May bank holiday Monday 1st May**
Spring bank holiday Monday 29th May

Inset Days are staff training days and children should not attend school.

School Day: 8.40am to 3.05pm Reception & 3.10pm other year groups

Gates Open: 8.30am, Gates Close 3.15pm

Term Dates 2017 -2018

Autumn Term 2017 (70 days)

First Half	Wednesday 6 th September – Friday 20 th October	
<i>Half Term Holiday</i>	<i>Monday 23rd October – Monday 30th October</i>	
Second Half	Tuesday 31 st October – Wednesday 20 th December	
<i>School Holiday</i>	<i>Thursday 21st December – Tuesday 2nd January</i>	

Spring Term 2018 (57 days)

First Half	Wednesday 3 rd January – Friday 9 th February
<i>Half Term Holiday</i>	<i>Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February</i>
Second Half	Monday 19 th February – Thursday 29 th March
<i>School Holiday</i>	<i>Friday 30th March – Friday 13th April</i>

Summer Term 2018 (63 days)

First Half	Monday 16 th April – Friday 25 th May
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June</i>
Second Half	Monday 4 th June – Friday 20 th July
NB	<i>May bank holiday Monday 7th May</i>
	<i>Spring bank holiday Monday 28th May</i>

Inset Days are staff training days and children should not attend school, these have already been included in the dates above.

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Monday 30th October

Tuesday 2nd January

Monday 4th June

School Day: 8.40am to 3.05pm Reception & 3.10pm other year groups
Gates Open: 8.30am, Gates Close 3.15pm